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15 pages of Specification/Claims 1-20/Abstract are attached.  
 Formal drawings (Figs. 1-2; 2 sheets) are attached.  
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.  
 An Assignment of the invention to UNITED MICROELECTRONICS CORP. is attached, with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.

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